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SUBJ: CXT CLASSIFICATION OF FRESH CRANBERRIES AND

BLUEBERRIES

REF: (A) BRUSSELS 7967, (B) BONN 11346

- 1. LOERKE (DG I) HAS JUST RESPONDED TO MISSION REQUEST (REF. A) FOR ASSISTANCE IN DEFERRING OR BLOCKING COMMISSION APPROVAL OF A PROPOSAL TO REWORD CXT POSITIONS 08.08 B AND 08.08 C COVERING IMPORTS OF FRESH CRANBERRIES AND BLUEBERRIES.
- 2. THE CONTENTS OF LOERKE'S REPLY FOLLOW: BEGIN QUOTE: THE COMMUNITY HAS ALWAYS NARROWLY INTERPRETED THE EC LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TARIFF SCHEDULE POSITIONS 08.08 B (CRANBERRIES) AND 08.08 C (BILBERRIES). THE OFFICIAL EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THESE TARIFF POSITIONS, WHICH DATE FROM 1971, LIMIT THE APPLICATION OF THESE TARIFF HEADINGS TO FRUIT FROM VACCINIUM VITIS IDAEA AND VACCINIUM MYRTILLUS.

IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT THE WORDING OF THE RESPECTIVE

TARIFF POSITIONS CORRESPONDS AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE WITH THE LONG-ESTABLISHED PRACTICE AS WELL AS THE DEFINITIONS SET OUT IN THE EXPLANATORY NOTES, IT IS THE COMMISSION'S INTENTION TO INTEGRATE THE EXPLANATORY NOTES TO POSITIONS 08.08 B AND 08.08 C IN THE ACTUAL TEXT OF THE CXT AS FROM JANUARY 1, 1978.

IT IS POSSIBLE THAT IN THE PAST CULTIVATED CRANBERRIES AND BLUEBERRIES MAY, THROUGH WRONG CLASSIFICATION, HAVE INADVERTENTLY ENTERED THE COMMUNITY UNDER CXT POSITIONS 08.08 B AND 08.08 C RESPECTIVELY. THIS CANNOT INFLUENCE THE LEGAL COVERAGE OF THESE POSITIONS WHICH HAS BEEN HELD CONSISTENTLY BY THE COMMISSION. END QUOTE.

3. SINCE IT APPEARS THAT APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSAL IS LIKELY, MISSION STILL MAINTAINS POSITION INDICATED IN PARAGRAPH 2 OF REF. A, THAT AGATTACHES BE ASKED TO EXPLAIN PROBLEM IN EC CAPITALS. HINTON

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